



**NAME OF THE PROGRAM:** TRC Workplace Social Skills Training Boot Camp

**TARGETED POPULATION:** Junior and Senior High school students between the ages of 14-22 who are on the Autism Spectrum. All students would be day students.

**TARGET NUMBER TO SERVE:** Maximum of 10 during each session

**TARGETED TIME FRAME AND LOCATION:** 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

- Session 1 - June 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 **OR**
- Session 2 - July 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Update:** Lunch will be provided for the June sessions. The TRC-Smyrna Cafeteria will be closed from July 8 through July 19, therefore lunch will not be provided for July sessions. Classes will be held at the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center in Smyrna.

**MAJOR EMPHASIS:** The goal of the TRC Workplace Social Skills Training Boot Camp for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is to help the individual maintain his or her uniqueness while learning the communication skills needed to navigate the workplace. Students will work on a variety of the objectives below individually and as a group:

- Build self-awareness – create safe atmosphere
- Teach targeted social skills – Practice, practice, practice!
- Disclosure/Prepping Employers
- Increase the student's self-awareness of what it means to have ASD
- Help empower the student to capitalize on his/her strengths
- Help the student learn to advocate for him/herself
- Job Exploration
- Work Based Learning
- Counseling on Post-Secondary Education
- Work Readiness

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